

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in view of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, 4, and 33 are pending.

Applicants received a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 21, 2009 for the present application. However, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment from PTOL-324 refers to application number 12/064,059 by Sauder et al. which is not the present application. Further, the form states that it is responsive to the amendment document filed on March 26, 2009. On the contrary, nothing was filed in the present application on that date and the last amendment was filed on April 20, 2009. Further, as the reason which caused the amendment to be non-compliant, the form states that “Article 19 Amended is not a proper status identifiers.” Applicants note that the claims filed with the amendment dated April 20, 2009 did not include “Article 19 Amended” as a status identifier.

Accordingly, Applicants believe that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was received in error and was not intended for the present application. Thus, it is respectfully requested that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment be withdrawn and an early and favorable consideration of the amendment filed on April 20, 2009 be conducted.

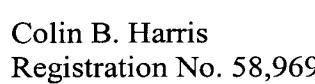
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